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Reimbursement for Aides Providing Related Services

Can Medicaid be billed for school therapy services provided by the following individuals when the services are identified in the student's IEP?

Speech-Language Pathology (SLP) Aide—Personnel who are registered as speech aides with the Board of Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists and who assist with the provision of speech-language services under the supervision of a licensed speech-language pathologist.

☒ Yes ☐ No

****The licensed SLP must be in attendance with the aide when services are provided. If the licensed SLP is not in attendance, the aide services cannot be billed to Medicaid.**

If yes, must the licensed speech-language pathologist supervisor be fully licensed (not provisionally licensed)?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Can a provisionally licensed speech-language pathologist bill for school speech-therapy services?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Medicaid will enroll them so they may bill for services they personally provide; however, they may not supervise.

Occupational Therapy (OT) Aide—Personnel who assist in the practice of occupational therapy under the supervision of a licensed occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant and whose activities require an understanding of occupational therapy, but do not require professional or advanced training in the basic anatomical, biological, psychological, and social sciences involved in the practice of occupational therapy.

Can the school therapy services provided by the OT aide be billed to Medicaid?

☒ Yes ☐ No

****Must have the licensed OT in attendance at time of service in order to bill Medicaid. If the licensed OT is not in attendance with the aide, services cannot be billed to Medicaid.**

Occupational Therapy Assistant—Personnel who are licensed to assist in the practice of occupational therapy and who work under the general supervision of a licensed occupational therapist.

Can the services of the OT Assistant be billed to Medicaid?

☒ Yes ☐ No

****They do not require attendance of the licensed OT at time of service; however, the licensed OT must be in attendance with the assistant providing services at least once a month.**

Physical Therapy (PT) Aide—Personnel who aid in the practice of physical therapy, whose activities require on-the-job training, and who are supervised by a licensed physical therapist or licensed physical therapist assistant.

Can the school therapy services of the PT aide be billed to Medicaid?

☒ Yes ☐ No

****The licensed PT must be in attendance with the aide at time of service. If the licensed PT is not in attendance, then services cannot be billed to Medicaid.**

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